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Memorandum

To: Central Files

From: Superintendent, Apostle Islands National Lakeshore

Subject: Hermit Island Closure

In accordance with regulations and delegated authority provided in Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Chapter 1, Part 1, Section 1.5(a) (1-3), temporary use restrictions will be in effect on **Hermit Island** for the time period indicated below. The purpose of these restrictions is to ensure visitor safety while performing resource management activities (black bear deterrence) which will be taking place on Hermit Island. The closure is necessary to minimize bear-human incidents, guard against personal injury or property damage due to increased black bear activity.

Time frame:

Effective August 8, 2009, Hermit Island is closed to all visitor use until further notice.

Area to be closed to the public: Hermit Island

Hermit Island will be temporarily closed to all visitor use. All locations on Hermit Island are closed including beaches, shorelines and backcountry locations.

Bob Krumenaker
Superintendent